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1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on July 14, 2006 was filed after the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance on July 12, 2006. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

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